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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to welcome you all to Year 4 and we look forward to making your child's learning fun and enjoyable! Over the course of this year, we aim to provide you with support to help your child.

### **The Year 4 Team**

**J3:** Miss Carr (Class Teacher), Mrs Buckley (Support Staff)

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We also have the support from Mrs Martin and Miss Khalil across the year.

### **Autumn Topic**

This term, our topic is Dinosaurs! We are planning to kick-start this topic with a school visitor allowing the children to study and understand fossils. We have also planned for the children to further their knowledge about Dinosaurs by visiting Birmingham 'Think Tank' Museum. We are extremely excited about this topic and the children have thoroughly enjoyed our introduction lessons so far!!

### **Planner and Reading Book**

Children are asked to bring their reading book/s and planner into school **every day**. Your child will bring home a new reading book most weeks (depending on the length of the book). Planners need to be signed on a weekly basis (for Monday mornings) to indicate that you have seen your child's planner the previous week. On top of this, their planner **MUST** be signed, and a comment made, each time that you have read with your child. Please note, your child will not be able to change their reading book unless it has been signed.

### **Homework**

In line with our homework expectations for lower Key Stage 2, your child will receive two sets of homework every week; a literacy task and a numeracy task. Occasionally we will also set a topic or science task. These will be set alongside the regular weekly spellings and times tables that your child will need to learn, as well as reading at home as much as possible. We would appreciate your support in helping your child to complete all of their homework tasks, every week.

Literacy and Numeracy homework will be set on a Thursday and is due in on Monday, this gives the children the opportunity to complete their homework on a Thursday and hand it in on the Friday if they wish.

In addition to these, they will also bring home spellings and times tables to learn each week. It is very important that you listen to your child read at home each day and practice spelling/times tables.

### **PE Kits**

PE will be on a Friday each week and Swimming on a Wednesday (starting 18<sup>th</sup> September). Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school everyday and that it is clearly marked with the child's name. In addition, on PE lesson day's long hair must be tied back and all jewellery removed.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your support,

The Year 4 Team.

